Division of Drinking Water & Environmental Management (DDWEM) TECHNICAL PROGRAMS BRANCH N E W S L E T T E R

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Recycled Water The alternative technology listing for recycled water is in "final draft form" and is expected to be published in November. (*Jeff Stone 805.566.9767*)

UV Protocols Bob Hultquist, Terry Macaulay, and Rick Sakaji have been working with NSF International on UV protocols for the NSF POU device certification and NSF/USEPA Environmental Technology Verification protocols. As the result of the Department's comments on technical issues, the protocols have been modified. The NSF protocols will be generally consistent with the National Water Research Institute/American Water Works Association Research Foundation UV Disinfection Guidelines that separately address both drinking water and recycled water applications. (Rick Sakaji 510.849.5050)

Direct Filtration Alternative Technologies The Water
Treatment (WT) Committee has accepted the use of two additional contact clarification systems, Pata Engineering and Pacific Keystone, as equivalent to direct filtration. This means they should only be used in situations where direct filtration is an appropriate technology for meeting SWTR requirements; see the SWTR

guidance manual for details. Letters of acceptance were sent out in October; interested Regional and District Engineers should ask their WT Committee representatives for copies. The Alternative Technology Report will be revised to reflect these additional treatment processes sometime in the future. (Rick Sakaji 510.849.5050)

Policy for Allowing Wells to
Terminate Treatment A DDWEM
workgroup drafted a policy with a
procedure and criteria for
determining whether a well that has
been treating to achieve MCL
compliance should be allowed to
terminate treatment if contamination
levels appear to be decreasing. The
draft has been approved by the
Executive Staff and is awaiting
management signoff. (Alexis Milea
510.540.2177)

Draft Policy for Returning Standby Wells to Active Status A DDWEM workgroup has almost completed a draft policy that provides a procedure and criteria for determining whether a standby well with a history of contamination should be allowed to return to active status. The policy should be available by the first of 2002. (Alexis Milea 510.540.2177)